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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop: RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 24, 2010, said period of response being extended from September 24, 2010 to December 24, 2010.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3478 in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

52835 BATCHT TRANSPORTABLE (SECTOR Respectfully submitted,

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